

**ARIZONA PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 25, 2002
PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

A public meeting of the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board was convened on September 25, 2002, at AZ POST, 2643 E. University Drive, Phoenix, AZ.

Members Present:

Acting Chairman Jerry Sheridan
Assistant Director Rod Covey, representing Director Garrett
Ms. Laura Reckart, representing Attorney General Napolitano
Mr. Bob Forry, representing Director Stewart
Mr. James Garcia
Chief John Corder
Sergeant Gary Eisenga
Chief Harold Hurtt

Members Absent:

Attorney General Janet Napolitano
Director Dennis Garrett
Director Terry Stewart
Sheriff Clarence Dupnik

Staff in Attendance:

Tom Hammarstrom
Lyle Mann
Gary Maschner
Steve Jacobs
Ted Brandon
Colin Peabody
Carol Muskus
Lois Sherlock

Counsel for Board in Attendance:

Diana Stabler, Asst. A.G.

Guests in Attendance:

Jim Zieler, St. Johns Police Department
Dan Connelly, Youngtown Police Department
Kimberly Johnson, Youngtown Police Department

Jan Madeya, ACIP
Daniel Christl, Attorney General
Peggy Redman, Tucson Police Department
Gene Gonzales, Tucson Police Department
Michael Polokowski, University of Arizona
Judith Abramsohn, Attorney
Matt Hedrick, Salt River Police Department
Jill Dirks
Shawn Dirks
Dale Norris
Larry Butler, Kingman Police Department
Tim Mosby, Kingman Police Department
John Hallahan, ADC – COTA
Gail Rittenhouse, ADC
Katie Opie
Michael Malay
Richard McCluskey, GCSO
Gary Gale, GCSO
Ron Zuniga, ADOC
Joseph L. Twyford, Phoenix Police Department
Dean Burrow, Yuma Police Department
Frank LaVia, Arizona Department of Racing
John Jamison, Williams Police Department
Doug Murphy, Ahwatukee Foothills News
Scott Mascher, NARTA/YCSO
Bill Richards, SALETC
Greg Roberts, SALETC
Luis Martinez, Gila River Police Department
N. Jarvis, USPS
Doug Opferbeck, Phoenix Police Department
Laura Forbes, Tempe Police Department
Valerie Bkibiescas, Salt River Police Department
Alia Rau, Tribune
Joe Cappelli, NARTA
Angel Carbajal, Tempe Police Department
W.F. Grasee, AZ DPS
K. G. Hunter, AZ DPS

A. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chairman Sheridan called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

B. INTRODUCTIONS

Tom Hammarstrom introduced POST's new Administrative Secretary, Shari Dahlback; the new COTA Commander, John Hallahan, and Dr.

Michael Polokowski, newly appointed educational member to the POST Board. Tom announced the Governor has also made several other appointments to the Board. Chief Harold Hurtt, Mr. James Garcia and Sheriff Clarence Dupnik were reappointed. Newly appointed to the Board are Ms. Lisa Flores, public member position; and Sheriff Gary Butler, small county population position. There are two positions yet to be filled and the Chairman of the Board needs to be selected.

C. CONSENT AGENDA

Approved unanimously, motion made by Chief Corder, seconded by Ms. Reckart.

1. Minutes of the meeting held on July 17, 2002, were approved as written.

2. Income and Expense Statement – July 2002

Funds as of July 1, 2002	\$822,344.18
CJEF Revenue	419,945.29
Expenditures/Encumbrances	(446,864.61)
Balance for July 30, 2002	\$795,424.86

3. The next scheduled Executive Session in accordance with A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(1), (A)(2), (A)(3) or (A)(4) is Wednesday, November 20, 2002, 1:00 p.m. at AZ POST, 2643 E. University Drive, Phoenix, AZ.

4. The next scheduled Regular Meeting is Wednesday, November 20, 2002, 1:30 p.m. at AZ POST, 2643 E. University Drive, Phoenix, AZ.

5. Ministerial Actions

- a. Certification Waivers: The following individual(s) have met the requirements set forth in AZ POST Rule R13-4-110 and have successfully completed the testing process and verification by AZ POST staff. Therefore, upon Board direction, certified peace officer status has been granted to:

James H. Moulder	Central AZ Water Conservation
Jermaine R. Evans	AZ Department of Public Safety
Ian S. Friedlander	AZ Department of Corrections
Timothy K. O'Hearn	Avondale Police Department
Thomas G. Scala	Paradise Valley Police Dept.

John A. Tisdale
Jason A. Viers
Douglas Voyles

Parker Police Department
Mohave County Sheriff's Office
Mohave County Sheriff's Office

- b. Instructor Certification Renewals: LIST ATTACHED TO MINUTES.
- c. Training Program Approvals: Agency requests were reviewed by staff and found to comply with Board guidelines. Programs were approved as requested. LIST ATTACHED TO MINUTES.
- d. Decertification Case Status Report Updates: As of September 6, 2002, the Compliance and Standards Unit has a case load of 95 active cases in various stages of the process. Fourteen cases are scheduled for initial presentation, 42 cases require further investigation, 3 cases are pending service of or response to a Notice of Complaint or Decision, 4 cases are pending hearing, 13 cases are ready for final action, 1 case Motion for Rehearing, and 18 cases are pending outside activity, i.e., a criminal trial or civil service hearing.

D. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Appointment of POST Representatives to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Residual Contamination of Drug Properties – Tom Hammarstrom reported that A.R.S. §12-1001 has been amended to create the Committee on Residual Contamination of Drug Properties. The amendment requires that POST appoint two peace officers to serve as committee members. Staff recommends that Captain Donald Schneidmiller of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office and Lieutenant Alton Thiele of the Phoenix Police Department be appointed to the Committee. Chief Hurtt made a motion to approve the appointments of Captain Schneidmiller and Lieutenant Thiele to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Residual Contamination of Drug Properties, seconded by Chief Corder, motion carried unanimously.
2. POST Policy on Committees and Working Groups – During the July 2002 meeting, the Board directed staff to draft a comprehensive policy for the creation and management of POST committees and advisory groups. A draft policy was submitted to the Board for review. Mr. Garcia made a motion to adopt the policy on POST

committees and working groups, seconded by Mr. Forry, motion carried unanimously.

3. AZ POST Service Quality Survey – Tom Hammarstrom stated that during August 2002 POST staff sent out a POST Services Quality Survey to each law enforcement CEO in Arizona. The survey was intended to gather feedback from POST customers for use in improving the service that POST provides.

One-hundred-and-sixty-eight surveys were mailed out along with stamped self-addressed envelopes. Agencies were provided the option of submitting opinions anonymously. POST received 111 completed surveys for a 66% return rate. Tom was pleased to report that the average overall satisfaction with POST services is 8.17 on the ten-point scale. The areas that were identified that needed the most improvement relate to the timeliness and accessibility of POST's in-service training classes. POST will use that information in the planning for next year's budget to address the problems in those two areas. Tom stated he was most gratified to see that in the evaluation of POST staff, in the categories of fairness, courtesy and responsiveness, the average was above nine on a ten-point scale. This indicates that there is a high level of satisfaction upon our constituent agencies. The POST Board was given a statistical sheet that provided specific numbers by category of service. Chief Corder commended the Executive Director and POST staff for doing the survey and getting such high marks.

4. Arizona Department of Corrections (ADC) Basic Training Curriculum Additions – Tom reported that the Board has the responsibility for approving the basic training curriculum of the Correctional Officers Training Academy (COTA). They have sent in a number of items for revision. Staff has reviewed the revisions and recommends to the Board they approve them for inclusion in their basic training curriculum. Chief Hurtt made a motion to approve the revisions, seconded by Chief Corder, motion carried unanimously.

E. REPORTS

1. AZ POST

- a. Special Projects – Lyle Mann reported that the AZ POST rules that were approved by GRRC in July will be published by the Secretary of State on October 19, 2002.

